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AB Biol. active protein derivs. useful as medicaments comprise  
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the adjacent NH and CO groups represents amino acid, dipeptide or  
tripeptide residue; Z when combined with the adjacent NH group represents  
a peptide, protein, NH- or NH<sub>2</sub>-contg. drug residue). A method for prepg.  
the protein derivs. are detailed. Monomethoxypolyethylene glycol glycine  
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The product was dried at low temp. under vacuum, dissolved, and concd.  
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